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| [: | 54] | DUAL CHANNEL CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENT DEVICE |
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## [57] ABSTRACT

The capacitance of an unknown capacitor is determined by counting the cycles of a known frequency contained within a time gate whose time duration is determined by subtracting a gate whose length is equivalent to the stray measuring capacitance from a gate whose length is determined by the capacitance of the unknown capacitor plus the unavoidable stray measuring capacitances.

## 1 Claim, 12 Drawing Figures

